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#### DECLARATION

- I, Peter Dahmen, of 41470 Neuss, Altebrückerstr. 61, Germany, a citizen of Germany, declare that :
- 1. I am an agronomist having studied at the University of Bonn, Germany;
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- In the year of 1991, I entered the employ of Bayer Aktiengesellschaft
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- 5. The following tests have been carried out under my supervision and direction.

Example 1

Erysiphe test (barley)/protective

Solvent

50 parts by weight of N, N – dimethylformamide

Emulsifier: 1

part: by weight of alkylaryl polyglycol ether

To produce a suitable preraration of active compound, 1 part by weight of active compound is mixed with the stated amounts of solvent and emulsifier, and the concentrate is diluted with water to the desired concentration.

To test for protective activity, young barley plants are sprayed with the preparation of active compound at the stated rate of application. 1 day after the treatment, the plants are inoculated with spores of Erysiphe graminis f. sp. hordei. The test plants are then placed in a greenhouse at a temperature of  $20^{\circ}$ C and a relative atmospheric humidity of 80 % to promote the development of mildew pustules.

The test is evaluated 7 days after the inoculation. 0% means an efficacy which corresponds to that of the control, while an efficacy of 100 % means that no disease is observed.

The active compounds, amounts of active compounds and results are shown in the following table.

Table 1

## Erysiphe test (barley) / protective

Active compound	Rate of application of active compound in g/ha	Efficacy in %
known from US-A 5 240951(Comp. No.36)		
CI N S CI CI	375	47
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